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1. ON AUGUST 30 FMOD (SCHROETER OF GEN. BRANDT'S OFFICE
OF POLITICAL-MILITARY AFFAIRS) INFORMED EMBASSY THAT FRG
CONCURS WITH PROPOSED NOVEMBER 1977 DEPLOYMENT TO BREMGARTEN DESCRIBED REF B.

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2. WITH REGARD TO DEPARTMENT'S QUESTIONS IN PARA 4 OF
REF B, EMBOFF ASKED HEAD OF FONOFF NATO DESK (DANNENBRING) WHETHER HE FELT THE EMBASSY SHOULD ROUTINELY
APPROACH BOTH FMOD AND FONOFF FOR APPROVAL OF MILITARY
DEPLOYMENTS. DANNENBRING FELT THAT IN ALL ROUTINE
CASES AN APPROACH TO THE FMOD WOULD SUFFICE. HE SAID

COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO MINISTRIES IS CLOSE, AND THAT IF THERE WERE ANY UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES HE WAS SURE THE FMOD WOULD BRING THEM TO HIS ATTENTION. IF THE REQUEST WERE CLEARLY OF A SPECIAL NATURE (E.G., FOR A PARTICULARLY SENSITIVE U-2 PHOTO TRACK), DANNENBRING WOULD WISH US TO SEEK APPROVAL FROM FONOFF AS WELL AS FMOD.

3. VON SANDRART OF FMOD (GEN. BRANDT'S OFFICE) TOLD EMBOFF HE SAW NO REASON FOR EMBASSY TO BRING FONOFF INTO APPROVAL CYCLE IN ROUTINE CASES. IF, IN AN UNUSUAL CASE, WE DECIDED TO APPROACH FONOFF, VON SANDRART HOPED WE WOULD APPROACH FMOD AT SAME TIME, OR PREFERABLY EARLIER.

4. UNLESS OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED BY DEPARTMENT, EMBASSY UNUSUAL CASE, WE DECIDED TO APPROACH FONOFF, VON SANDRART HOPED WE WOULD APPROACH FMOD AT SAME TIME, OR PREFERABLY EARLIER.

4. UNLESS OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED BY DEPARTMENT, EMBASSY WILL PROCEED AS SUGGESTED BY DANNENBRING, WHICH ESSENTIALLY MEANS CONTINUING OUR PRESENT PRACTICE. THE FMOD'S OFFICE OF POLITICAL-MILITARY AFFAIRS, FROM WHOM WE ROUTINELY REQUEST APPROVAL FOR DEPLOYMENTS, IS ANALAGOUS TO DOD/ISA AND IS A POLICY-CONFIDENTIAL

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LEVEL ORGAN OF THE MINISTRY. IT PROVIDES NOT JUST MILITARY CONCURRENCE BUT POLITICAL APPROVAL IN THE NAME OF THE FRG. ITS OFFICERS ARE POLITICALLY KNOWLEDGEABLE AND CAN BE EXPECTED TO KEEP FONOFF INFORMED TO EXTENT NECESSARY. IN ANY EVENT, IF A PARTICULAR DEPLOYMENT REQUEST APPEARED UNUSUAL OR PARTICULARLY SENSITIVE, WE WOULD APPROACH BOTH FMOD AND FONOFF SIMULTANEOUSLY. MEEHAN

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